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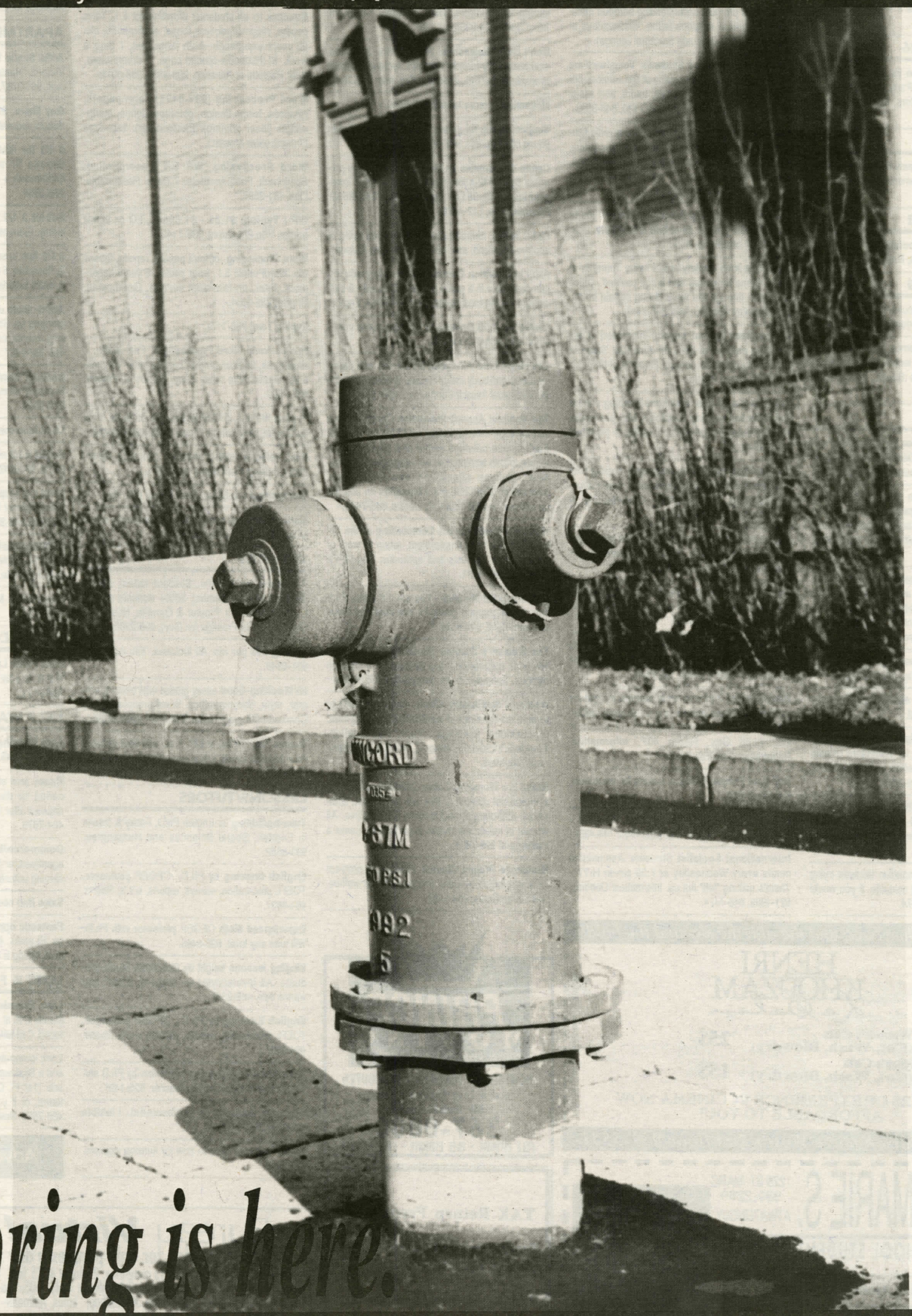

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AGENDA

The Agenda is a free service to publicize Concordia-related events. Space priority is given to non-profit and student groups. Drop off your info at our office, room H-649 in the Hall building, or mail it, indicating AGENDA on the envelope. Deadlines are 4pm, Friday for Tuesday issues, and 4 pm Wednesday for Friday issues.

Friday, March 25

Clothing SWAP, sponsored by Peer Helpers' "Students in Need Network." Bring old or unused clothing and we'll redistribute it to needy students. Hall Lobby, all day.

Saturday, March 26

International Day of Action for the Innu and the Earth. March from Liberal Party Headquarters to Bloc Québecois Headquarters. 9:30 am, 640 St. Paul West. Info: 844-0484.

Sunday, March 27

General Meeting of the newly-opened Anarchist Community Centre. Newcomers welcome! 3 pm, 370 Marianne E.

Monday, March 28

Pakistan Students' Association Membership Drive. Info booth: 9 am–6 pm, Hall Lobby.

Tuesday, March 29

NDG Food Depot Open House–more than just a food bank! 4 - 8 pm, 2121 Oxford. Info: 483-4680.

"The Eternal Triangle: Themes and Variations in Latin Love Elegy," a public lecture by University of Swansea Professor Joan Booth. 4 pm, 7302 Sherbrooke W, Rm 206.

GENERAL

Food not Bombs collects free vegetarian food and serves it to hungry people. General meetings every Saturday at 4pm, 2035 st. Laurent. Info: 282-0229.

Native Students: Please contact the Native Student Centre if you are graduating in the Spring or Fall convocation ceremonies. Your achievements will be honoured at a community dinner and dance. Info: Audra, 848-7327.

Peer Health Educators: Health Services is recruiting students to be trained as volunteers for next year, providing other students with information on AIDS, safer sex, birth control, alcohol, sexual assault. Info: Diane Bellemare, 848-3575.

Eat Your Peel Strategy meetings every Friday, 10 am, Q-PIRG, 2130 MacKay. Info: 848-7585.

Concordia Writers' Group meets every Thursday at Loyola. Info: Bill, 684-3502.

Have you ever been refused an apartment? Project Genesis is looking for volunteers to help fight racism and discrimination in housing. Info: Denyse or Anne-Marie at 738-2036.

Concordia Queer Collective meeting schedule: First & 3rd Fridays at 5:30 pm, P-102 - General Meeting. Second & 4th Fridays, Z-105 - Discussion Group. Info: 848-7414.

We Are a Group of Pak-Canadian students trying to form a club for Pakistani students. If you would like to help call, Adil, 287-0774.

Attention Native Students! Regular bi-weekly meetings of First Nations - Concordia are held at the Native Student Centre, 2110 MacKay, 3rd Floor, Fridays at 1 pm. Info: 848-7327.

Project 10 is a support group for lesbians, bi's and gays aged 14 - 25. Info: 989-1885.

Montreal Alliance of Aspiring Midwives (MAAM) welcomes enthusiastic people for group study and political action. Info: Liz, 933-1631.

Coming Out Support Group - Questioning your sexual orientation? Mutual support in a warm & friendly atmosphere. Women: Thursdays, 7 pm. Men: Wednesdays, 7 pm. MI-02 (basement), 2130 Bishop. Info: 848-7414 or 848-2859.

Multi-Faith Dialogue - Brown bag discussions designed to promote understanding between members of different religious faiths. Wednesdays at noon, T-305 (the Graduate Students' Lounge).

Services for Disabled Students: Volunteers are needed to help us deliver many of the services our students use, such as readers, tutors, and assistants. Info: H-580, 848-3525, or AD 130, 848-3536.

Ham Radio meetings: personal two-way radio,television, computers, radio BBS, satellites, shortwave, electronic projects,emergency communications. Meetings every Tuesday, 7 pm, in H-644-1. Info: 848-7474 and leave a message.

The Hellenic Students Association invites you to find out about Greece, its culture & its history. Drop by H-608-1 or call 848-3529.

Concordia Irish Society meets every Thursday at 8 pm. Come for coffee and enjoy yourself. Office also open through the week during certain hours. 2020 MacKay, Rm 103. Info: 848-7411.

Bienvenidos Todos! Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Latin American Students Organization should contact Roberto, 848-3532, 333-1947. Hasta Pronto.

Tel-Aide is a 24-hour telephone listening service and crisis line seeking volunteers who are empathetic and non-judgemental. Training is provided. Info: 935-1105.

Counselling Workshops/Groups: coping with loss; assertiveness training and career & educational planning. Information: Counselling & Development, 848-3545/3555.

Concordia Association for Undergraduate Students of English (CAUSE) meets every Wednesday at 5 pm, 2020 MacKay, P-103.

The Indian Students' Association invites you to become a member. Trips and other social events are planned. Info: 848-3533.

The Sociology and Anthropology Students Association needs students to help organize events. Info: Chuck Walsh, 522-6692.

Birth Control: Not sure what method is right for you? Explore your options in a small group setting with a health professional. March 31, 12 noon-1:30 pm, 2155 Guy, Room 407. Information/ Registration: 848-3565/3575.

Hey Cool People! CRSG is looking for volunteers. Drop by H-647.

Witamy! Newly-formed Polish Students' Association is looking for members! Info: 744-4386.

International Socialist Students' Association meets every Wednesday at 7:30 pm in H-771. There's nothing "left" but us. Information: Deborah, 521-1983, 848-7474.

WOMEN

24 Hour Hotline & Crisis Line, Montreal Sexual Assault Centre, 934-4504.

Montreal Sexual Assault Centre needs volunteers for its 24 hour telephone crisis line. Concerned, bilingual women should call 934-4504, 934-9354, ext. 452.

Literacy Centre. Anglophone women aged 16 and older who need help learning to read and write should contact the Women's Y. Personal tutoring services are free and based on each student's special needs. For more information, to volunteer or refer someone, call 866-9941, ext. 278.

Volunteers Needed! Parenthèse is a unique playgroup for immigrant moms and their children and is looking for volunteers. Tues. or Thurs. 1-4:30 pm. Info: Cyndy, 934-0354, ext. 354.

Don't be Whitewashed! Non-chlorine bleached, environmentally-friendly women's hygiene products available at Q-PIRG, 2135 MacKay. Info: 848-7585.

Mouvement contre le viol: 842-5040.

Support Group for young Black single moms with young children. Info: 485-1670, CLSC-NDG.

Centre des femmes de Montréal: Services de première ligne, 842-4780; Service aux femmes immigrantes, 842-0814; Option'Elle, 842-6652; Formation'Elle, 842-4776.

CLSC metro: Support Group for women living in abusive situations. Info: 934-0354, Angela Idelson.

AIDS Intervention Centre: Women living with HIV can participate in a group process. Sexuality & self-esteem are the focal points. Info: 934-0354, France.

Centre for AIDS Services for Women needs volunteers. Info: 954-0170, Basia.

Self-Help/Mutual Aid Group for women with eating problems and body image issues, sponsored by the McGill Sexual Assault Centre. Info: 398-2700.

The Montréal Assault Prevention Centre offers a self-defense course called ACTION for women. Each course provides verbal and physical techniques to help women deal with any type of aggression. Courses offered on and off-campus. Information: 284-1212. For Information on courses on campus, call the Women's Centre, 848-7431.

Women's Employment Counselling at the "Y" helps women seek employment, return to work or explore their interests and aptitudes. Eng. & Fr. Free. Info: 866-9941.

Non-Custodial Mothers - You are not alone. Part-time moms, support group for non-custodial mothers. Info: Heidi, 844-8578.

The Women's Studies Students' Association has been resurrected. Help us become a force on campus. Tuesdays, 8 pm, basement, 2130 Bishop.

Women's Spirituality Circle meeting weekly to explore the dynamics of spirituality in our own lives. Discussions, readings, ritual, visualization, Tuesdays 11:30-1:00, Annex Z, Rm 105. Info: Daryl Ross 848-3585.

Shakti is a Women of Colour Collective embodying a Womanist direction. We are anti-racist, anti-sexist, anti-classist and lesbian & bi-positive. All women of colour are invited to participate. Leave a message at 398-7432.

Résidence Project Chance. Residential program for single moms on loans and bursaries or welfare. Call Susan Cross, 934-6199.

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WANTED

Fast Pitch League in Cote St. Luc looking for teams to play from May - September. Call Leon, 484-3511.

HELP WANTED

Tree Planting BC, Spring '94. Bugbusters. Call Joe, 278-4645.

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Lost: Bracelet - gold-linked bars. Lost Thursday, March 17th at Loyola. Sentimental value. Reward if found. Call Mike, 488-8994.

Lost: computer diskettes containing my term work and a Shakespear CD, when my locker was broken into (1st Fl, CC Building, LOY) on March 22. If found, or if you have any information, callShira, 488-7673. Reward.

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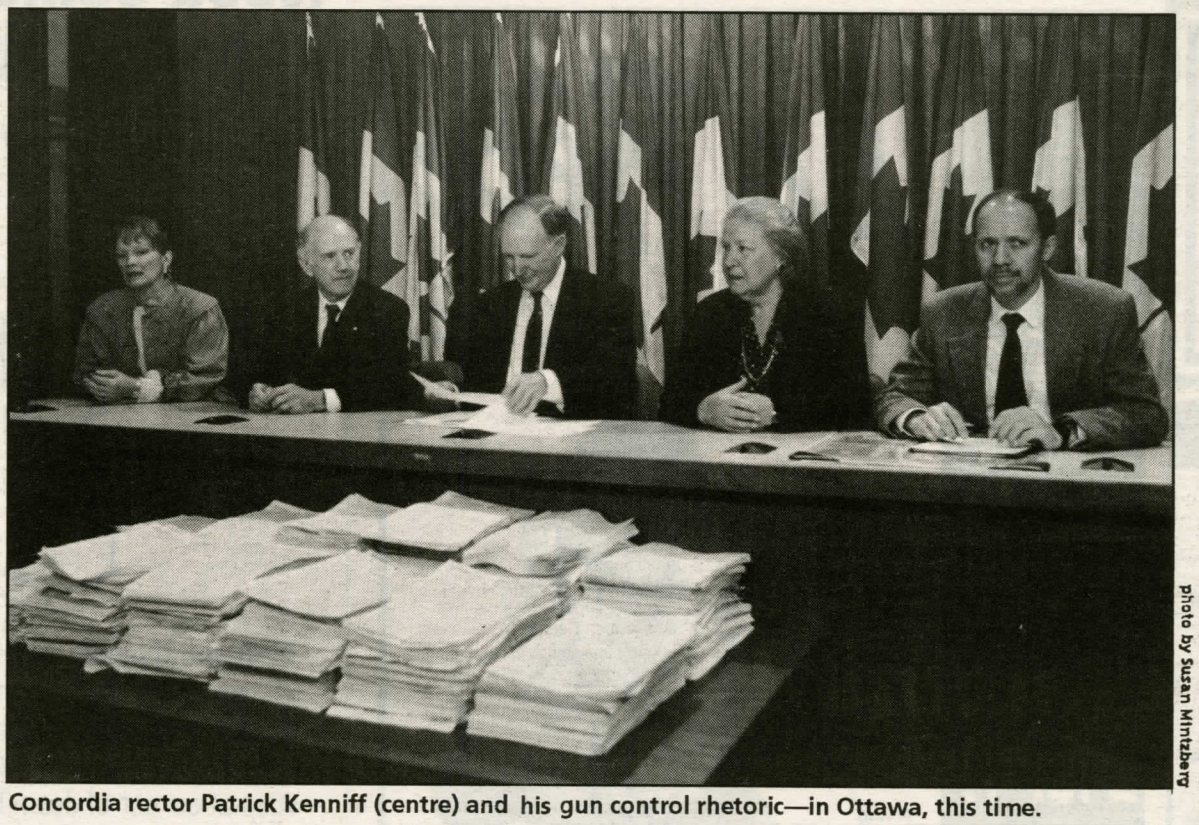
Gun petition goes to Ottawa

by Jennifer Ditchburn



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Concordia rector Patrick Kenniff (centre) and his gun control rhetoric—in Ottawa, this time.

Concordia's petition for handgun control made it to Parliament Hill yesterday, even though it was 300,000 signatures short of its original goal.

The university administration launched the petition in September 1992, after a gun-wielding engineering professor murdered four of his colleagues on August 24, 1992. When he was arrested he had three guns in his possession.

The petition, which had the original goal of half a million signatures, called for legislation to ban handgun ownership to all but army and law enforcement officers.

At Ottawa's National Press Gallery, Concordia rector Kenniff said that there were no redeeming features to handgun ownership.

"There is no right to bear arms in this country, just a privilege to," Kenniff said. "One must remember that a lot of deaths are attributable to handguns, such as suicides and accidents."

Following the news conference, Notre-Dame-de-Grace MP Warren Allmand presented the petition to Parliament. The House has 45 days to respond to the motion.

Heidi Rathjen, executive director of the Coalition for Gun Control, was on hand to see the petition tabled in the House of Commons. Rathjen, who has successfully lobbied the government for stricter control on firearms, says there are still many holes in the present legislation.

"You can give a reason to have a handgun and then the next day the reason could be non-existent," Rathjen said. "If you're no longer a member of the gun club the next day, it doesn't matter—there's no renewal, there's no reassessment, there's no control on the use after the initial purchase."

About 50 people took the trip to Ottawa early yesterday morning, but some saw it as an unnecessary and costly public relations exercise for the rector. The event was partially organized by an outside public relations firm.

Concordia Student Union VP of Services and presidential candidate Michelle Soso said she felt the whole thing was designed to show how "good Kenniff is."'

"I've never been fed so much in such a short amount of time," quipped Soso, referring to the breakfast and lunch provided to supporters. "And I didn't agree with the fact they didn't have any student representation on the press conference panel."

Soso also objects to the entire nature of the petition, which she says misses the mark.

"It's a nice gesture but there are several laws that aren't being regulated that should be worked on," Soso said. "I don't understand what all the hype about handguns is—I don't think it's going to solve the problem."

Last year, Concordia's student union rejected a motion to endorse the petition for various reasons, including its assumption that law enforcers are more responsible handgun users.

Soso says many students signed the gun control petition out of sympathy for Fabrikant's victims, but the university has used it to cover up other underlying security and ethics problems surrounding the incident.

"It's wrong to hype up the murders," Soso said. "They should take a look around and see if there are any other powder kegs ready to go off.

"Just look at the code of conduct, which is such a joke. No one is looking for other viable options."

Mudslinging dominates CSU debates

by Danny Chan

Student issues were put on the back burner yesterday, with Concordia Student Union presidential candidate Ken Blackburn accusing opponent Marika Giles of impropriety.

During the second rounds of presidential debates, Blackburn said Giles' trip to Australia with the Concordia Debating Society was a conflict of interest with her position on the student union.

But Giles, now VP Academic, said she earned the right to travel to the Australia tournament by mèrit, not through her connections with the student government.

"I got to go (to the debate) through ability and through commitment to an organization. Not through patronage," Giles said. "The fact is, I was the best debater in the club. I had ability.

"I'm not going to stand up here and pretend I got it for any other reason," she added.

The issue was raised during opening statements by the nine assembled candidates (the tenth candidate, Howard Silbiger, was unable to attend) and dominated much of the discussion during the hour-long debate.

Candidate Christine Vieira admonished Blackburn.

"I'm actually very disappointed that this came in, Ken," she said.

The next debates are scheduled for Monday at 5 p.m. at Mugshots (H651).

Non-conformity in a technological world

by Carol McQueen

Elevators that won't stop at certain floors unless a secret code is entered correctly. Car windows that won't open unless the engine is running. These are just two examples of how technology can subtly but insidiously control day-to-day life.

If yesterday's capacity-audience for Ursula Franklin's lecture "Co-existence and Technology" at Concordia is anything to go by, more and more people are increasingly concerned about how technology and the capitalist system behind it influence society and affect human relations.

Franklin, a senior fellow at the University of Toronto's Massey College, was invited to speak at Concordia by the Graduate Studies Department and the School of Community and Public Affairs.

Technology is not a neutral instrument, but a means to wield power, she argued. For example, Agribusiness owns vast plots of land all over the world, controlling a country's workers, fruit crops and agricultural production. Yet, it is accountable to no one but its shareholders.

"Global market planning is an attempt to run people's lives without their knowledge and consent. This cannot go on. Slaves and women did not take it," said Franklin.

Numerous ethnicities, different views and divergent lifestyles are the cornerstones of any vibrant community or country. Yet, they are undermined by the spread of uniformizing technology which requires behavioural conformity, Franklin said .

photo by Wynne Kelly

U of T's Ursula Franklin spoke on society and technology at Concordia yesterday.

Grassroots politics can provide an alternative to the bureaucratic, corporate power of national governments.

Food co-operatives could steal business from large multi-national food businesses.

"Some corporations may shrivel up through non-participation," she added.

Franklin believes that a better understanding and assessment of technology will encourage coexistence and not merely conformity.

"When faced with a particular technology, people should ask questions like 'if we use this, does it advance justice?' and 'does it favour the reversible over the irreversible?'" said Franklin.

Although the idea of coexistence has been around for many years, its relationship to technology is only beginning to be looked at.

Franklin believes the idea of co-existence became dominant among intellectuals after World War II when atomic weapons rendered war impossible.

"War could no longer be used to settle disputes. With atomic war, nobody will win; nobody will lose. Therefore, everyone has to live together and recognize areas of incompatibility and conflict," she said.

But Franklin believes this assessment is incorrect. She thinks society's emphasis on planning began with industrialization at the turn of the century.

"The assembly-line division of labour revolutionized the economy. It linked the notion of production, a concentrated effort to produce something, to the notion of planning," said Franklin.

And planning was just as important to the west as to the east.

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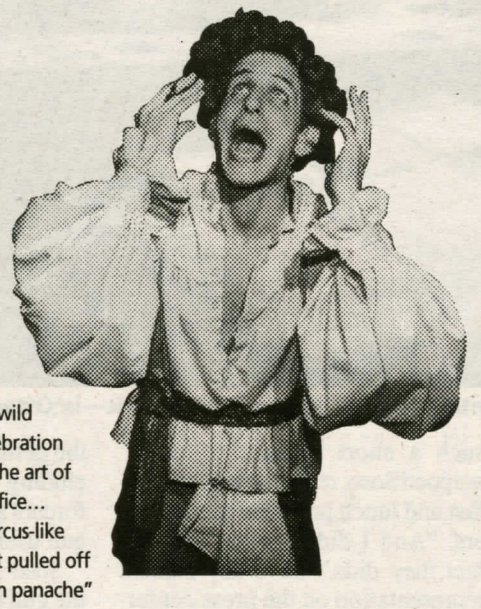

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Concordia University Referendum

VOTING INFORMATION

In April, Concordia University will be holding an university wide referendum asking the entire student population if they want to help financially support a new Student Recreation and Athletics Centre.

DATES: April 5, 6, 7, 1994

TIMES: 10:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

LOCATIONS:
- Hall Bldg. lobby
- VA Bldg. lobby
- LB Bldg. lobby
- Victoria Gym (main entrance)
- AD Bldg. lobby
- Loyola Athletics Centre (main entrance)
- Bryan Bldg. lobby
- Campus Centre Cafeteria

ELIGIBLE VOTERS: All Concordia University students (Undergraduate, Independant, Graduate)

QUORUM FOR THIS REFERENDUM IS SET AT APPROXIMATELY 7500 STUDENTS

Concordia University Referendum

STUDENT RECREATION & ATHLETIC COMPLEX

The University proposes to construct and equip a Student Recreation and Athletic Centre including an aquatic centre, a fitness centre with weight training studio, a triple gymnasium, changing facilities, indoor track, aerobic and dance activity areas, amphitheater, lounge and banquet facilities. The complex will be located on the Loyola Campus. The cost of this project is estimated at $30,000,000 in constant (i.e. 1994) dollars. The University by means of this referendum is seeking the approval of students for this project. The method of financing includes 50% provided by student contributions collected during a ten year period from 1994 to 2004 and 50% arranged by the University from various sources (government, private donors, etc.). The Student Recreation and Athletic Centre will open in the Fall of 1997.

Do you agree to pay a fee of up to $4.00 per credit for constructing and equipping this Centre? This rate will apply from 1994 until 1999. From the year 2000 until 2004 the rate will increase to $6.00 per credit.

ELIGIBLE VOTERS: All Concordia University students (Undergraduate, Independant, Graduate)

QUORUM FOR THIS REFERENDUM IS SET AT APPROXIMATELY 7500 STUDENTS

NDG group calls for safer parks and neighbourhood

by Sarah Bowles

The park behind Concordia's Loyola campus is a dangerous, and dimly lit area, according to NDG safety auditors.

As part of a project by the grassroots NDG 2000 Security Action Committee, groups of citizens have been scanning their neighborhoods at night for the past six months. This week they presented their finding on the safety of area parks.

Rachel Jones, of the Women's Action Network of NDG, did some of the auditing herself.

"They (parks) all rated on a fairly low scale. However, women are not primary park users after dark," Jones said. "Their concerns were generally poor lighting, lack of emergency phones and the general ambiance, which is dark and dreary, with too many bushes."

Parks were evaluated with the aid of booklets, with questions on such attributes as the quality of lighting and maintenance, or the lack of exit or escape routes.

Terri Ste-Marie, of the public safety group Tandem which helped organize the park safety audits, responded to accusations the audits were fear-mongering.

"Bringing the community together was our goal," Ste-Marie said "Now some people are interested in forming a smaller committee to negotiate with the city to see that some of our suggestions are carried out."

The Security Action Committee was formed in September 1992 following a NDG conference on quality of life.

The group hopes to act on low cost solutions, such as cutting overgrown bushes, repairing dilapidated structures, fixing lights and installing pay phones in strategic locations.

Citizens plan to lobby the city to pay for more costly measures, involving re-landscaping of trees and levelling areas where attackers could conceal themselves.

The Loyola campus was not evaluated, despite calls by NDG 2000 for volunteer evaluators from the Women's Centre, the Office of the Status of Women and the Safety Patrol Network.

U of T considers equal funding for women's sports

by Jim Bridges

TORONTO (CUP)—The University of Toronto's Department of Athletics and Recreation has taken an important step toward gender equity by deciding to provide equa l funding for men's and women's teams.

The department council's Feb. 28 decision, one of more than 50 recommendations on gender equity being considered by the council, will see the women's intercollegiate sports program receive funding equal to the level provided for men.

Marg McGregor, executive director of the Canadian Association for the Advancement of Women in Sport, said U of T's endorsement of equal funding is an important first at a Canadian university that will help set a tone for other departments.

"It is a tremendously progressive step," she said. "It really sends a clear message, by translating best intentions into concrete actions."

Women's programs at U of T now receive $142,377, more than $65,000 less per year than men's programs.

Once fully implemented, both the men's and women's programs will receive equal funding "envelopes," from which each can divide among its teams.

This way, said Bruce Kidd, director of the school of physical and health education , both men and women can decide how to structure their own programs.

"If women decide they want to support 10 programs and the men decide they want to support five programs, as long as they use some reasonable process, that would be equitable and fair," he said.

Department of Athletics director Ian McGregor said the department must implement equal funding by increasing the level for women, rather than decreasing funding for men.

"I think we should look at enhancing programs," Ian McGregor said. "Both [the department of athletics] council and University Affairs board sent a clear message last year not to cut programs."

Kidd added it is imperative that the department's budget reflects the ideals of gender equity to prove the department is serious about the issue.

"If we do not come up with a budget with very clear equity, visible through funding, we will be up against very hard criticism," he said.

Ian McGregor said the department will not be able to fully implement equal funding within the next year, but will develop a plan for the next three or four years.

Franklin

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"My contention is that if, instead of looking at exercise of plan, people had discussed the technologies underlying that plan, it would have become apparent that the West is not a world that is not planned. Rather, there has been an incredible amount of planning since the war, not state planning, but commercial planning," she said.

What intellectuals should have been discussing was technology's impact on different societies, said Franklin. What differentiated the United States and the Soviet Union was not planning itself, but the manner in which that planning was conducted.

"Technology requires conformity. It needs a workplace, a community and an environment to drill that conformity," said Franklin.

While toying with that elevator button hoping the doors will open, remember Franklin's advice and "don't think you live in the world of Aristotle, you live in the world of IBM."

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HOW:
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FOOTBALL:

Stingers league champs

by Danny Chan

The Concordia football program (4-3, 7-5 overall) received a shot in the arm with the Dunsmore Cup O-QIFC championship and a trip to the national semi-final in Toronto. With 10 of 12 returning starters on defence, James Monroe and Fred Marquette shoring up the offensive line, and Dennis Pitselis' heroics at QB, the Stingers won four straight games after stumbling out of the block with an 0-2 record.

Consecutive wins over Ottawa, Queen's, McGill and Carleton vaulted the team into the national top ten. The Stingers missed out on a chance to finish first in the regular season with a 34-7 loss to Bishop's, but bounced back with an emotionally charged 34-30 win over McGill to send the team to the league championship against first-place Bishop's.

At the Dunsmore Cup league championship, the Stingers staved of pressure from the Gaiter attack to win their first league title since 1982 by a score of 10-7. At the SkyDome, Concordia lost in the Churchill Bowl to the Toronto Varsity Blues, 26-16.

Defensive end Paul Chesser won the J.P. Metras trophy as the nation's top lineman. Chesser, receiver Mike Noble, safety Marc Fortier, linebacker Luc Pelland, and offensive lineman Fred Marquette were named to the league all-star team.

SOCCER:

Women's win streak

Led by league MVP Sandra Tuppert's nine goals, the women's soccer team (5-3, 5-4 overall) finished third in the five-team Quebec University Soccer League. The season was highlighted by a four-game win streak over the Bishop's Lady Gaiters 4-0, UQTR 4-0, Bishop's again 1-0, and the McGill Martlets 2-1.

In the league semi-finals against nationally-ranked McGill at Molson Stadium, Concordia fell 3-0 in the sudden-death match.

Mid-fielder Isabelle Marquis and forward Tuppert were named to the league all-star team and Tuppert was placed on the all-Canadian squad.

Men overcome sluggish start

Playing in the same league as nationally ranked Université de Sherbrooke Vert et Or and the McGill Redmen, the men's soccer team (5-3-2, 7-4-2 overall) took their quest for a second straight league crown all the way to the wire before bowing out to the eventual national champions Université de Sherbrooke 4-1.

Coach Vladimir Pavlicik's crew had a sluggish 1-2-1 start but came back, going undefeated in five of their last six contests. The Stingers also racked up 17 goals in their last six regular season games.

In the league semi-finals against McGill, Concordia swept both games by scores of 1-0 and 2-1 to earn a berth in the league finals against Sherbrooke.

Chris Rose and Glen Campbell earned first-team QSSF honours and Mario Lombardi and Robbie Gasparini were named second-team all-stars.

—Danny Chan

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RUGBY:

Women crush opposition

The women's rugby team mowed over the opposition, posting yet another perfect season with an 8-0 record and then proceeded to down MacDonald College 20-0 in the Quebec Women's Intercollegiate Rugby League semi-final. In the final, Concordia defeated McGill 12-5 to clinch their third straight league championship.

Prop Sheila Turner, hooker Ivanka Cancovic, flanker Laura Morrison, forward Jennifer Purves, scrum half Natascha Wesch, centre Christel Monad, and winger Lara Falquero were all named to the all-star team.

The men's rugby team (2-5-1) finished fourth in the five-team league before succumbing to league-champion Bishop's Gaiters 32-3 in the first round of the playoffs. They defeated Sherbrooke 7-5 in the consolation game. Flanker Tony Clark made the all-star team.

—Danny Chan

photo by Phil Carpenter

VOLLEYBALL:

Good performance over long season

The women's volleyball team still proved to be formidable competition against foes such as nationally ranked teams Université de Montréal, Laval and Sherbrooke. Concordia fell to Montreal 7-15, 9-15, 11-15 in the league semi-finals after a season that saw them play twice as many regular season games as the previous year (from eight to 16).

"We played hard up until the end but someone had to win," said Stinger Cassandra Bardo after the loss. "We couldn't have asked for anything more. It just came the other way that Montréal won."

The Stingers played well in tournaments, winning bronze at Ottawa and at the Queen's University Tournament.

—Danny Chan

photo by Phil Carpenter

WRESTLING:

10th at Nats

Wrestlers flourished at Concordia. Jason Della Rocca (82-kg class), Barry Poplaw (90 kg), David Wilson (90-plus kg), Anthony Carelli (76 kg), Brent Beauparlant (82 kg), and Robbie Prasad (82 kg) each performed admirably throughout the year and finished tenth at the CIAU nationals. Individual wrestlers will still compete for the Montreal Wrestling Club this summer.

—Danny Chan

HOCKEY:

Men shine against tough competition

by Frank Ivancic

When it came to hockey this past year, Concordia proved to be inhospitable hosts and less than gracious guests for their opposition as both teams enjoyed strong seasons.

The men's team finished with a 21-15-1 record overall and 15-8-1 in league play. They also ended the regular season by winning 10 of their last 15 games.

That's not bad considering the Stingers found themselves in what might have been the toughest division in university hockey. Only four other teams in the league compiled a better record than Concordia and two of those, UQTR and Ottawa, were in their division.

Two highlights stood out during the season, and both games featured the McGill Redmen.

The Royal Challenge held at the Forum in early February had the Stingers all but eliminate their rivals from the playoff race with a convincing 6-3 win. 'All but' are the key words there since the Redmen came back from the dead to set up Highlight Number Two.

The Stingers and McGill locked horns at the Loyola Arena the very next week with the victor earning the final playoff spot. Playing before 700 loud and enthusiastic fans, Concordia finished off the Redmen 4-2 in an exciting game to advance to the first round of the post season.

Even though the Stingers lost to the UQTR Patriotes in that first round, it took little of the shine off an otherwise good season.

Veteran defenceman Derek Potts was named to the OUAA East first all-star team, the first Concordia player honoured so since Stinger netminder Bobby Desjardins in 1991.

This was also the final season for three Stingers. Defenceman Skip Langton, Jim Smith and Potts are graduating at the end of this semester.

Women continue to dominate

The women's hockey team was in a class by itself this season, compiling an overall record of 33-2-4, including a 33-game unbeaten string, on the way to a fifth league championship in the last six years.

Included in the team's accomplishments was winning the Hockey East Tournament for the first time in its history and following that up by capturing the Theresa Humes Invitational title for the second straight year.

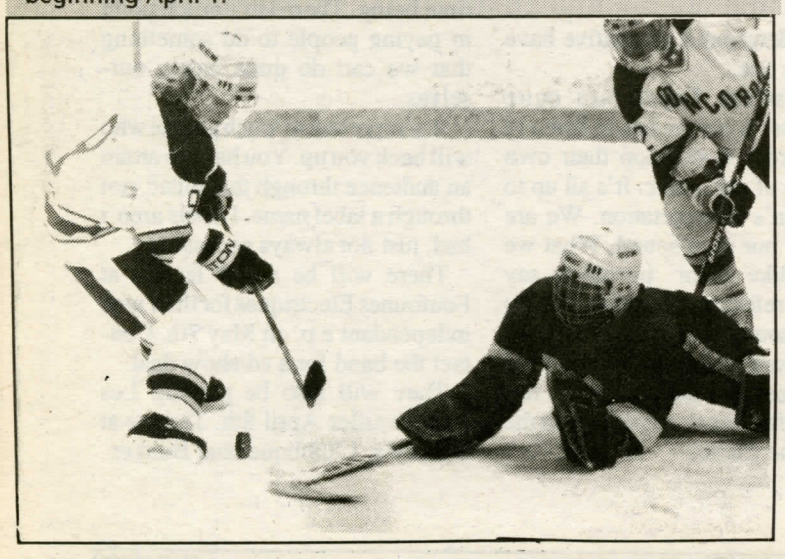
The strength of the program was shown when Laura Leslie made the Canadian national team while Karyn Bye and Cammi Granato were added to the U.S. national team's roster. The three will participate in the world championships this April in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Concordia head coach Les Lawton will be at the helm of the Canadian team.

Five Stingers made the league's all-star teams, with forward Martine Berubé and rearguard Lisa Devison named to the Quebec Women's University Hockey League first team. Forward Karyn Bye, rearguard Elaine Bédard and goaltender Marie-Claude Roy were selected to the second team.

Concordia will be losing seven veterans to graduation as Leslie, Bédard, Devison, Roy, Ginnie Brulé, Tracey Robinson and Tamara McKernan won't be in the lineup for next season.

The Stingers have one more opportunity to add to their trophy collection as they close their year in Trois-Rivières at the provincials beginning April 1.



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BASKETBALL:

Strong seasons, disappointing playoffs

by Marie-Chantal Côté

Concordia basketball fans were treated to spectacular and competitive performances by both Stinger basketball teams this year. Not only did the men make it to the nationals for a fifth consecutive year but the women's team overcame some tough times at the mid-season mark to advance to the nationals in Calgary.

The women Stingers started the year with numerous victories against out-of-league teams that included Ryerson (66-44), Windsor (52-47), York (66-45), Waterloo (60-48) and Laurier (64-27).

Unfortunately, the team had more trouble in their league games as they terminated their regular season with a 7-5 record, compared to a 20-13 record for all their games.

In the playoffs, the Stingers defeated Laval 61-50 and McGill 55-45. But they were later defeated by Winnipeg, the number one team in the country, by a score of 86-72. In the consolation rounds Concordia still managed to beat UBC 66-57 and UNB 58-50 to grab a comfortable fifth place.

Forward Patricia Demers, a second-year applied social sciences student, led the Stingers scoring this season with an average of 12.3 points per game and six rebounds. She was followed closely by guard Sharon Sandy who averaged 10.4 points per game and rookie forward Eva Samore who averaged 7.6 points per game with 6.2 rebounds per game. Demers and Sandy were both named to the Quebec league all-star team.

Samore was named the rookie of the year, while Stingers head coach Mike Hickey was named coach of the year, after his team won the league's championship.

Guard Tanya Guitman, who averaged 7 points per game and Lori Lozo, who averaged 4.5 won't be returning next year, as they are graduating.

The men's basketball team, on the other hand, finished the regular season with a perfect record of 12-0. The team started its season taking the championship title in the Concordia Nike Tournament, followed by a few losses against out-of-league Acadia, Western, UPEI, St.Michael's and the U.S. army team.

After a few adjustments at the start of the regular season, the Stingers quickly became the team to beat. The Stingers showed that they were a team with talents on both sides of the court finishing the year with an overall record of 21-7.

Unfortunately, the team's success came to a stop at the nationals last weekend, when they lost two of their three games, coming home empty handed. The team is losing its co-captain Robert Ferguson who is graduating. Ferguson was named the QSSF most valuable player as well as a member of the all-Canadian second team. He averaged 12.2 points per game and 4.8 rebounds.

All five starters from the Stingers were named on the first or second Quebec all-star team. Guard Robert Ferguson, forward Emerson Thomas and forward Maxime Bouchard, who was also named rookie of the year, were named on the first team of all-stars; forward Gaetan Prosper and center Fred Arsenault were named on the second.

Concordia head coach John Dore was also named the QSSF coach of the year.

Concordia takes 12 medals at Karate tourney

Helen Borovilos

Intense is the only word to describe it.

Last Saturday, a small group of martial arts enthusiasts cheered about 150 barefoot karate fighters as they battled each other on the Loyola Gym floors.

The occasion was the 7th Annual Concordia University Shotokan competition. Clubs from places like Boston, Connecticut, New York City, Toronto, and Ottawa took part.

Concordia picked up 12 medals and as a result, the club members will attend the Japanese Karate Association championship at the University of Connecticut on May 7th.

Organizer and instructor Melanie Taylor was impressed that the day-long event finished early, with few injuries.

"It (the competition) was smooth. We finished ahead of time, which is unusual for this type of tournament," said Taylor, a 3rd degree black belt.

The club trains twice weekly both semesters for the annual event. Students practice the Shodokan style of karate which involves sequences of moving against an imaginary opponent as well as individual work.

"Karate is a dynamic and complete exercise," said Taylor, describing the historic art. She says the style is steeped with Japanese traditions of respect with a heavy emphasis on physical control.

Fighters wear no protective helmets or body pads. This forces students to develop the ability to have a perfectly powerful hit against a target with precision.

"It's like stopping on a dime," explains Taylor, who describes good technique as cat-like.

Taylor and other alumni will attend the 5th Shoto Cup in Philadelphia in three months. She will be accompanied by 1st degree black belt Stacy Ungar and third degree black belt Shahrokh Hoghooghi. It will be the first time any Concordia competitor will attend the world tournament.

INTERVIEWS

CKUT is having a first of many showcases, that will give local bands the chance to strut their stuff. The first of the Noisy Neighbours shows is happening this Sunday, March 27, at Woodstock Bar, 3781 St. Laurent.

Interview with Poupées Gonflables

by Daria Gamliel

The setting sun gave a warm pink tone to everything in proximity...even the tombstones. What a nice day for a walk through a cemetary! Not your average setting for an interview, but then again, the **Poupées Gonflables** are not your average band. Knee-deep snow over a muddy graveyard does wonders for crushed-velvet pants, yet **Dolly Dan**, one of the Poupées' guitarists, didn't seem to mind getting a little wet for the cause.

Dolly Dan

The Montreal-based band has been gathering a lot of attention lately. This is partly due to their on-stage antics, which include cross-dressing. Wearing women's clothing is a way Dan and company explore their more feminine side. Coming out of a private school with uniforms, Dan needed to break out of the mold he'd been forced into. This is his way of exploring his sexuality. He feels that it's a somewhat homophobic thing for society to not 'allow' men to dress in women's lingerie, referring to less 'restricted' times, 3000 years ago. In an age where so-called Gen X-ers are seeking an identity (sexual or other), the Poupées serve up a *performance* as opposed to a mere concert, enabling both band and audience to express themselves.

Each band member has a different musical background, which accounts for their sound: an amalgamation of their distinct influences. "We all love Bowie but that's probably the only common point. We all wish we were David Bowie," laughs Dan. He admits that when he was younger, he used to stare at the cover of his *Ziggy Stardust* album like it were a rock 'n' roll mandala.

Dan and co-guitarist, **Tom Tilden** have known each other since grade school, and met up with fellow guitarist, **Buck Slaughter** at John Abbott College. Dan describes Tom as having "a good sense of noise", and Buck as being "twisted". Of course, this only adds to the essence of the Poupées. Buck likes to write a warped pop-style of music, that often dabbles in cabaret. The band's lineup is completed by vocalist **Nil Berkin**, plus a unique rhythm section. The drummer, **Raj Thakkar**'s beats are on time, while **P.P. Doré**'s bass-playing is always a little behind. Dan says he likes bands who are less polished, and admires **Bite** because "their sound isn't so super tight...it's much more organic. That's the kind of feel that really works for me, when there's this kind of twisted, not quite right groove to it". Similarly, the Poupées have no real method to what they do, "It just sorta happens".

Dan, believing you should try to play as many instruments as possible, was originally the band's bassist. But one Christmas, after returning from a holiday, he remembers being replaced with P.P. "I was no longer in the band, so I had to start playing congas to keep myself in the band." Then, when their former guitarist left, Dan stepped in, which is how they ended up with three guitar players. "That's why you have to learn to play a lot of instruments," Dan insists.

Dan says they're still looking for their musical domain, as well as their true sexual identity. Perhaps they'll find a niche amongst their noisy neighbours this Sunday.

The Poupees Gonflables will be playing the CKUT "Noisy Neighbors" show, along with Sister Mary and Blaise et Daphne, at Woodstock , 3781 St. Laurent, Sunday March 27th.

Interview with Sister Mary

by Armand Cousineau

The Link figured it would be a nice idea to let these noisy neighbours of ours rant in print. Since the printed word is not as....vocal as live play, keep your fingers out of your ears.

Sitting in the Foufounes Café Wednesday night, amid the milling pre-pubescent punks, one might have seen the Montreal band **Sister Mary** sitting quietly at a lone table. This trio consisting of **Sabrina** (vocals), **Christian** (bass), and **Stéphane** (lead guitar), formed in January of '92, and have acquired a following that reaches to Toronto. And as far as the band is concerned, their fans still have them under the microscope for analysis.

Link: What do you think of gothic-rock in the 90's, and how do you see goth progressing in the future?

Sabrina: You think we're goth?! We don't really consider ourselves to be goth. If you really must put a label on us, we consider ourselves to be maybe...progressive alternative. The problem is that everything is labelled now, to the point where (typecast boundaries) have become really vague. Commercial and underground alternative have become one.

Christian: Labels are quite pointless. A person has to listen to us in order to develop their own opinion of our music. It's all up to a person's interpretation. We are kind-of our own sound. What we would like is for people to say (when referring to other bands) "They sound like Sister Mary!"

L: From where do you get your influences and inspirations? I noticed reference to Anne Rice in the song *The Curse*.

Sabrina: That song has basically our only external inspiration. The rest of our lyrics come from my head. My musical influences include bands like David Sylvian, Kate Bush, Japan, and Bach. Probably the only common influence the band has is Queensrÿche.

L: Are you in the process of searching for a record deal?

Stéphane: A career goes way beyond a record deal. We wouldn't mind one, but we aren't going to jump at the first one that comes along. We aren't in any hurry for now. We're content with touring and doing our own promotion at the time being. There isn't much point in paying people to do something that we can do quite easily ourselves.

It's important to touch people who will back you up. You have to attain an audience through the music, not through a label name. Labels aren't bad, just not always necessary.

There will be a CD launch at Foufounes Electriques for their new independant e.p. on May 7th. Contact the band for a cd/show deal.

They will also be playing Les Retrouvailles April 8th. Tickets at Dutchy's, L'Oblique, and Bunker.

Tilt your beep to the left!

by Sean Moore

photo by Justin Rochefort

Tink (birthday suit)

Once again I'm under the gun, gotta do this fast. Get in and out with the speed of an angel on crack. **Trigger Happy** was the first act, blastin' their way out of Toronto. I'm sorry to say it, but I missed every shot they fired due to unforseen factors in my jet-set life.

Between two piles of amps emblazoned with the KISS logo, these characters apparently go the crowd in gear with, I'm told, a "Big Drill Car" sound as well as an impromptu strip show courtesy of their drummer who was celebrating his birthday in his birthday suit.

On arriving at the scene of the crime I was impressed by the sheer number of people that had attended this event.

Tilt was next on the chopping block.

Hailing from the Oakland area of Cali-4-nigh-eh, they resembled a page from a **My Rules** hardcore compendium of punk-band photographs featuring **D.O.A, X** and **The Offenders.**

Excuse my hormones, but aside from the guitarists' jumping and face making I was captivated by the singers stage presence and failed to notice Cinder (vocalist) flashing her skirt around like it was no-ones voyeuristic business. Once again I noticed a melodic **X/Bullet Lavolta** style in their music. Cinder's singing soared on its own but still kept in tune with the music.

The second singer and bassist, whose name I can't remember because he scared me so, having a shaved head and all, adding a booming bottom end to the already unique vocal approach. The only complaint that I can think of is with the soundman. The first two songs barely picked up Cinder's voice while throughout the set the bassist began shouting into the crowd at some "motherfucker" who was fighting. And eventually had the parties at fault thrown out. -Talk about a blast from the past. Two thumbs up for these dudes.

If you missed this show then yer a punk-assed punk. So, you feel'in lucky punk? Go ahead, try it, make my **Green Day**. And made my day. And they played their hit song from the video entitled **Longview**. Three more guyz from Oakland, these bastiches really got the crowd fragg'in. More melodic four-chord ditties but with a catchy **Social Distortion/ Toy Dolls** favour. I coulda sworn they wuz from England! -What with the singers mouth full-o-marbles type crooning.

I was surprised to hear them do material from their previous two releases, *Kerplunk* and *1039*. Every tune was a keeper, including their reworking of the Operation Ivy song Knowledge. They really put the boots in last night. High energy pulsed from everything in the Foufounes Electrique. Plus, there was absolutely no restrictions on stage-diving, which is unusual for Foufounes.

The coup-de-grace for the entire show was the singer/guitarist coaxing some burger headed moron onto the stage and then getting him to strip down to his mangy brown skivvies. At this point the cretin in the french-cuts attempted to jump into the crowd after flashing his arse for all to see. No wonder nobody rushed to catch him. In closing, if you like the song "Longview" then you would have enjoyed the entire show.

P.S. -check out the **Oyster Band** next month at Cafe Campus. (NO its not the Blue Oyster Cult Band!!! Thas'all, nuff said.

tossing *underwear* for dollars

by Brendan Richardson

CKUT's fifth annual fundraising drive is under way, and so far this years' event has been a success.

Montreal's campus community station is asking for donations in order to fund and sustain current programming, which provides airtime to groups and organizations that have been overlooked by privately owned, mainstream stations. The ten-day fundraiser is CKUT's third largest source of revenue, and part of the money they raise will go towards the station's soon-to-come relocation to a larger space.

Funding coordinator Janice Fike offers an explanation of where the money will go "We're not using it to buy reclining, padded, vibrating office chairs or pink plush carpets

"We need it for general maintenance of the station, and to keep our budget in line. We need to remain in a balanced financial situation so we can negotiate our move in the future." Indeed, the funding drive is in no way rooted in self-interest, rather, it is an effort to put the station in a better position to serve the community. Contributions to the station from Haitian and West Indian communities provides evidence of this. It is the station's mandate and the staff's intention to continue offering airtime to these and other organizations, wishing to foster exposure for themselves by means of radio.

Last week the station held "Celebrity Fetishwear:" auctioning off various undergarments of local celebrities like Cecil Siskel (formerly of **Bite**), and graffiti artist "Zep". The event reaped impressive dividends, indicating that listeners value naughty bits of celebrity paraphernalia almost as much as they do quality programming.

Still, successful fundraising is based on hard work and dedication, qualities that are not lost on CKUT's staff of volunteers. "It's a really interesting opportunity to see the level of commitment demonstrated by the volunteer show-hosts who come to the station on a regular basis," acknowledges Fike. "The whole process has been a real reaffirmation of that commitment to the station. And in turn, we see the level of dedication that the Montreal community has towards the station."

Give-aways include music, books, t-shirts and tickets to local events. Anybody who pledges $25 or more is automatically entered into a grand prize draw. Prizes include a trip for two to a Caribbean island of choice, as well as a stereo system, a YM/YWCA membership, and a gift certificate redeemable for a personal computer.

The station has set a goal of $55,555.55 and mid-way through day six they were just short of the half-way point.

The drive comes to an end at 12 AM Monday morning with station manager "Pat Dillon"'s show, "Bhum Bhum Time." If you wish to donate, volunteers will be waiting on the phones (398 - 8891) twenty-four hours a day up until Monday morning. Donations can also be made in person at the CKUT office, located in the basement of McGill University's Shatner builing on Mactavish street.

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following be adopted as Special By-Law C of CUSA:

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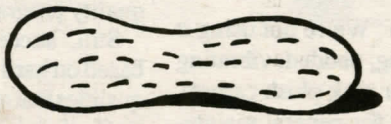

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Kenniff's handgun petition "just a soapbox"

Re: Kenniff's gun control stance:

On March 24, at 11 a.m., I was sitting at my computer typing away, listening to CBC radio when the national news came on. I was so very happy when our wonderfully progressive Rector's voice suddenly met my ears talking about the importance of gun control. "He's cool," I thought to myself. "I'm so glad my really expensive tuition fees are going towards his high salary."

My day continued cheerfully. I whistled to myself as I bicycled to school knowing that the upper levels of management at Concordia University are truly looking out for me.

Two hours after hearing Rector Kenniff on the radio I was standing in the main foyer of the McConnell building waiting for a friend. I was still whistling to myself when suddenly I saw something very shocking — a man with a gun. There he was standing just a few feet from me and a few more feet from where the gun control petition tables once were. I stopped whistling. My eyes were fixed on him. I watched as he put his hand on the handle, his finger to the trigger. His eyes darted around the room but he did not remove the handgun from his waist holster. I studied the man more closely — a bullet-proof vest poked out from under his polyester sweater like a really bad gallstone. And a badge — a plastic-looking badge but a badge all the same. Then I noticed that he had a friend (I figured they were friends because they dressed the same.) Then it all came together — they were emptying the bank machine.

Oh, I guess that's OK then, I thought to myself. But then I changed my mind.

If Pat Kenniff is so personally opposed to the presence of hand guns in our society, then why is he allowing a major bank to use Concordia as an argument in favour of the use of death machines in their day-to-day operations?

It seems to me that he is using this issue as a soap box to stand on just in time for him to dump Concordia and run for the Liberals in the upcoming Quebec election.

Well Pat, you don't have my vote.

David Smaller

Matthews' letter "articulate misogyny"

In response to I.W. Matthews' letter to *the Link*, March 15:

Get a grip. Feminists are not trying to take over the world. Feminism is a methodology developed to bring forth a perspective which is radically altering some very dated assumptions about the position of women. It also considers class, race, ethnocentrism, the treatment of children, and elders. Feminist methodology has revolutionized academia and should be considered in every discipline.

One cannot talk about "equality" in isolation. It is necessary to take into consideration all aspects of social consideration; one in which scholars determine how women have shaped and contributed to the world in which we live.

Where in feminist theory have you read that feminism "promotes a desired position of superiority"? Definitions of feminism vary from the radical to the liberal, with a huge range in between. Even in the most radical of definitions one does not find this desire to reach a "position of superiority." Sadly, your letter espouses traces of misogyny and fear by declaring that the feminist approach will "retard the evolutionary process."

Feminist ideology challenges a system which promotes inequality and oppression. Without feminism this society cannot move forward. Feminists have played a crucial role in developing environmental issues, without which we cannot survive. Feminist activists work toward self-empowerment — to not stand victim to violence, abuse, inequity, FEAR. And this is being achieved through non-violent measures. Not by declaring war. Not by raping, silencing, mistreating, abusing others. Men. Why are you, I.W.Mathews, so threatened by this movement?

It is discouraging to see that university students still believe in these myths about evil man-hating feminists. What you have illustrated in your letter is articulate misogyny. Rather than use your energy to spew hatred, you may consider learning about the feminist movement, how it deconstructs, analyzes, and interprets social issues. Because there is nowhere else to go but forward, Mr. I.W. Matthews.

But you stick to what you know, Mr. I. W. Matthews, your objective his-story.

Lilyana Petrovic

English lessons on Jewish slogans

I would like to take this opportunity to respond to the article titled "More name calling in the Middle East" (*Link*, March 22). Firstly, the article was misleading and had factual errors.

The sign that was quoted actually said, "We mourn the death of all Israeli soldiers killed in 1948, 1956, 1967, 1973, 1982 AND all killed by Arab terrorism." When the Arab student body expressed their sadness over the stereotyping of arabs as terrorists, I changed the sign to "Arafat's terrorism."

When they once again expressed their dissatisfaction, I removed the name Arafat. By putting the word AND inbetween the comment about soldiers and all, gramatically I seperated the two thoughts, and according to all laws of English, one comment had nothing to do with the other. I was actually referring to all Jewish civillians killed by Arab terrorism.

As for the sign "If you can't forgive Hitler, Why Arafat," the Dean of Students, Brian Counihan, was called and it was in his opinion that this sign was a justifiable opinion that he could not prevent from being expressed. When numerous people complained about the sign, I removed it, unfortunately your article does not mention that.

When the idea of a memorial table for Jewish dead was proposed to our executive, we tried to set up a low profile, low controversy table, so our table had only one candle on it.

I find it quite hypocritical that the Arab population can complain about my table, when their table had signs such as, "Jewish Nazis stop Killing our innocent Children!" and "Lessons from Rabbi Cahane" (sic). If these signs are a justifiable expression of opinions for the Arab population, I think being critical of Arafat is a justifiable expression of opinion for the Jewish population. I think that anybody who opposes this fact is creating a double standard that should never be created.

Howard Silbiger

(newsflash)

"Ads degrade and exploit women"

A while ago, as I was driving on Sherbrooke Street, I caught sight of one particular ad. "No," I thought. "They can't have reached that level!"

"What's coming next?" You may or may not have guessed it; I am alluding to the latest Christian Dior commercial, displaying part of a naked woman with her genital areas wrapped up like a gift.

This ad is all over the city! What amazes me most is the apparent indifference of people, whether in the university community or society at large. As a male, I find this ad quite provocative and degrading for women. In fact, this advertisement does not merely exploit the woman's body; it presents it as a sexual object, a convenient tool for the promotion of a commercial product....

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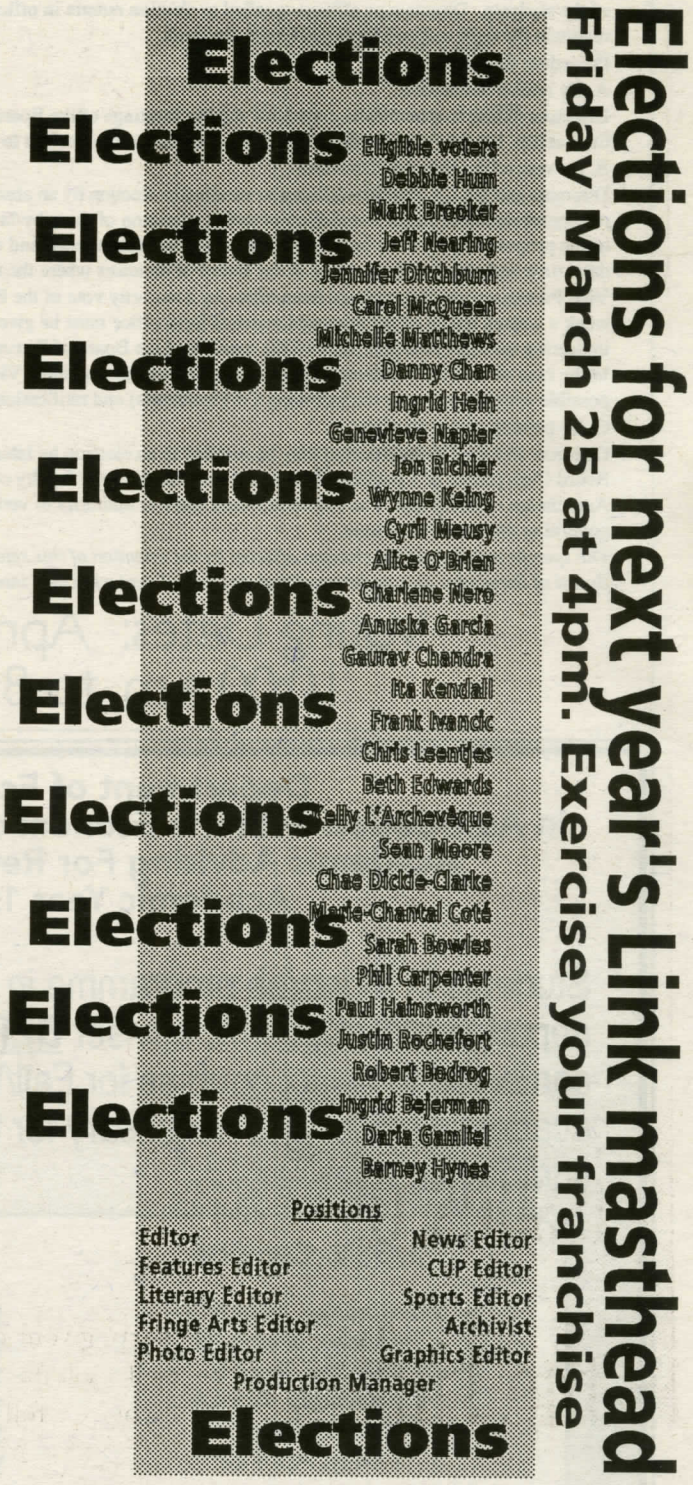
Youssef Cham



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Concordia Students' Union
Referendum & GENERAL ELECTION

REFERENDUM QUESTION

Be it resolved that the membership authorize the amendments necessary to allow for:
replacing the procedure for the removal from office of the Directors and Officers of the Association by doing away with the current system of hearings before the appointed Judicial Board and introducing a system of recall to election because of absences from scheduled regular meetings of the Board, by a recall vote of the Board of Directors for cause, or by a petition of the students. Directors or officers recalled to election remain in office until the by-election is held to fill their post and they maintain the right to stand for reelection to that post.

Procedure for Removal

A. By reason of absence

Directors failing to attend three scheduled regular meetings of the Board during a term of office are deemed to have resigned their office, but they stay in office in order to reoffer in a by-election to fill the vacancy.

B. By vote of the Board of Directors

Directors and the Co-President(s) may be recalled to election by an absolute two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Board for misappropriation of funds, dereliction of duties, violation of these by-laws or of the Regulations. Two week's written notice of the proposed recall must be given to the person subject to recall and to the Board indicating the cause for recall and the date, time and place of the meeting of the Board of directors where the issue will be decided.

Vice Presidents may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Board upon the recommendation of the President. One week's written notice of the proposed removal from office must be given to the person subject to removal and to the Board indicating the date, time and place of the meeting of the Board of Directors where the issue will be decided.

In the case of the Co-Presidents losing a recall election all appointed Vice Presidents are deemed to have resigned, pending possible reappointment by the incoming Co-President(s) and ratification by the Board.

C. By petition of the members

Directors and the Co-President(s) may be recalled to an election no later than thirty (30) days after the receipt by the Electoral Board Chairperson of a petition of 10% of the members of the faculty of the councilor or of all of the members of the Association respectively. The Electoral Board has sole authority to verify the validity of the petition, subject to Regulations governing this removal process.

The specific wording of the changes affected by the adoption of this reform must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. It is understood that this amendment will come into force immediately upon its adoption.

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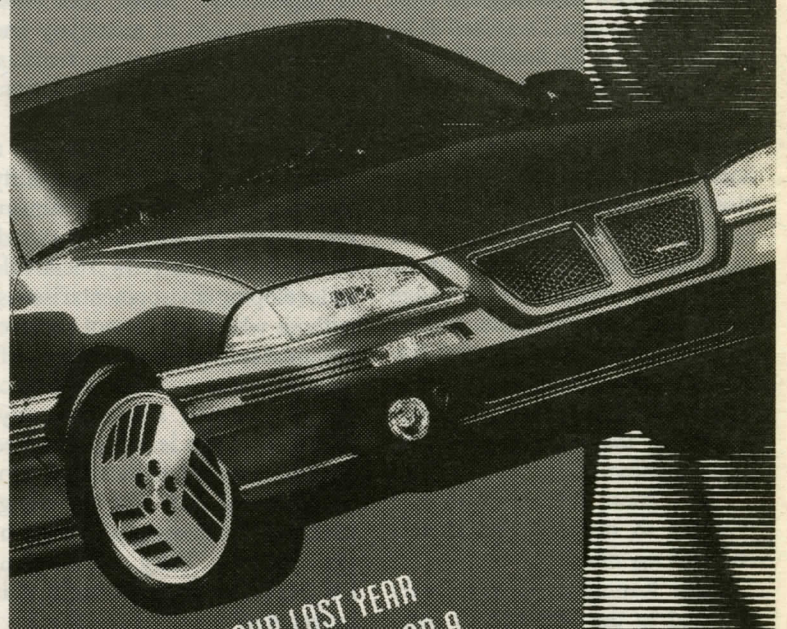

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